Orientation Procedure
• USTs/CTs: Four weeks
• RNs: 12-16 weeks
• Comprehensive from start to finish
• Competency-based
• Assigned to a preceptor
• Combination classroom and hands-on clinical
• RNs have a two-year individualized education pathway to explore a variety of interests

Resources Available to You
• Experienced, advanced-practice RN educator assigned to service line
• Reference materials on each unit
• State-of-the-art health care library on campus
• Internet access with abundant online resources on each unit
• Continuing education
• Experienced RNs on each shift
• 40 percent of the current staff is pursuing advanced education

Skills Acquired
Depending on your role and unit, you will be able to:
• Draw blood, perform finger sticks, start IVs
• Perform 12-lead EKGs
• Interpret cardiac rhythm abnormalities
• Provide care to cardiac patients
• Perform Peritoneal Dialysis
• Perform tracheostomy care
• Manage acute, complex pulmonary cases
• Administer medications (most current medication regimens, all types of blood products, investigational drugs, chemotherapy, TPN, IV drips)
• Perform advanced clinical skills
• Manage complex patient discharges (e.g., patients discharged home on ventilators)

Opportunities to Provide Input
University Hospital is the only local hospital in which all clinical nursing policies are made by the bedside nursing staff. The environment is supportive of innovation, creativity, and autonomous decision-making. There are several unit and hospital forums available for your participation and input.

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Inpatient Medicine Nursing
6A: 20-Bed General Medicine and Pulmonary
Types of patients treated:
• Pulmonary Disorders
  Pneumonia
  Ventilator dependent
  Cystic Fibrosis
  COPD
  Asthma
  Bi PAP/C PAP
  Pulmonary drips
• Cardiac Disorders
  Chest Pain
  Congestive Heart Failure
  Telemetry monitoring
  Cardiac procedures
• Renal Disorders
  ESRD
• Endocrine Disorders
• Gastrointestinal Disorders
  GI hemorrhage

6K: 16-Bed Observation Unit
Patients of all types are placed on this unit to be medically evaluated for possible admission. Length of stay is from 23 hours to 5 days, depending on severity of symptoms. It is a fast paced area in which nursing assessment will be crucial to patient outcomes.

(Providing care to inmates)
Types of patients treated:
• Cardiac Disorders
  Telemetry monitoring
  Cardiac procedures
• Neurology/Neurosurgery
  Degenerative nervous system disorders
• Orthopedic
• Infectious Disease
  HIV

The Patient Care Model
• Patient-focused care
• RN facilitates the care of patients in an interdisciplinary environment
• Daily interdisciplinary patient care rounds

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